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SUBJECT: CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR STORY ON US FORCES

IN ASIA: GUIDANCE FOR QUERIES FROM GROC OFFICIALS

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1. IF QUERIED BY GROC OFFICIALS CONCERNING DANA SCHMID'S
ARTICLE IN APRIL 16 CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, EMBASSY
SHOULD EXPRESS REGRET AT THIS UNFORTUNTE INCIDENT. YOU
SHOULD NOTE THAT ARTICLE CONTAINS NUMEROUS INACCURACIES
AND REITERATE, AS WE HAVE SAID IN PAST, THAT ALL
REDEPLOYMENTS FROM TAIWAN ARE BASED ON OUR ASSESSMENT OF
OUR SECURITY REQUIREMENTS AND THE LEVEL OF TENSIONS IN
THE AREA. YOU MAY WISH TO REMIND THEM THAT THE SECRETARY
HAS COMMENTED SPECIFICALLY THAT REDEPLOYMENTS FROM TAIWAN
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ARE NOT REPEAT NOT THE SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATION WITH

PEKING, AS IMPLIED IN SCHMIDT ARTICLE. WE WILL OF COURSE
CONTINUE TO CONSULT CLOSELY WITH THE GROG ABOUT POSSIBLE
FUTURE REDEPLOYMENTS FROM TAIWAN.

2. YOU SHOULD ALSO INFORM GROG OFFICIALS THAT IN RESPONSE
TO ANY PRESS QUERIES ABOUT THIS STORY US OFFICIALS WILL
FOLLOW STANDARD DOD POSITION OF NOT COMMENTING ON
POSSIBLE FUTURE FORCE DEPLOYMENTS.

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